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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL SCOWCROFT
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NORTH VIETNAM'S INFLUENCE ON SOUTH'S TRADE ACTIVITY: TRADE
NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE BETWEEN BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM
AND NONCOMMUNIST COUNTRIES FOR THE EXPORT OF RUBBER AND FOOD-
STUFFS, [REDACTED] ALTHOUGH

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SOUTH VIETNAMESE FIRMS HAVE BEEN HANDLING TRANSACTIONS FOR
THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, THERE ARE GROWING INDICATIONS THAT
HANOI IS TAKING OVER THE NEGOTIATIONS OF MAJOR SALES OF SOUTH
VIETNAMESE GOODS ABROAD. FOR EXAMPLE, A SINGAPORE SHIPPING
COMPANY WAS NOTIFIED ON OCTOBER 21 THAT A NORTH VIETNAMESE
EXPORTER IN SAIGON WOULD BE PROCEEDING WITH THE TRANSACTION
RATHER THAN THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE FIRM. THE FOLLOWING DAY A
HANOI FACILITY CLAIMED THAT THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE HAD SOLD COF-
FEE TOO CHEAPLY AND SUGGESTED THAT FURTHER TRANSACTIONS
WOULD BE HANDLED BY NORTH VIETNAM.

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